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October 8, 1973

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE SECRETARY
FROM: William B. Quandt
Donald Stukel
SUBJECT: Arab-Israeli Situation Report

Ambassador Keating reports that today will be critical to the Israeli position, as the IDF, now fully mobilized seeks to regain lost ground on the Syrian front. The eventual outcome of the fighting is not in doubt, but the price to be paid for expelling Syrian and Egyptian forces will be high. Already the Israelis have admitted to 35 aircraft lost in suppressing SAM sites in Syria, an unexpectedly large number. The Syrians have apparently captured some of the pilots.

The Egyptians have apparently gained control of the entire east bank of the Canal, with at least 500 tanks having crossed, along with 20-25,000 troops. Israeli air attacks this morning initially concentrated on suppressing SAMs on the western bank of the Canal, a necessary prelude to a counterattack against the Egyptian forces on the east bank. The Israeli Embassy here claims that Israeli armor has crossed to the West Bank of the Canal as part of an encircling move designed to wipe out SAM sites and cut off the Egyptian forces in Sinai. We have little information on this as yet, but it obviously would open a new dimension to the fighting.

Israeli leaders are clearly not pleased with the course of the fighting, although they appear to be confident of the outcome. The Israeli public has not been made aware of the extent of Israeli losses. It appears as if intense fighting will continue today on both fronts.

It is worth noting that neither side has yet attacked population centers or industrial sites, although the Egyptians did try to sink a tanker en route to Eilat with oil from Iran. If the Israelis do succeed in crossing the Canal into Egypt, however, attacks could spread beyond the current lines.

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Pressures are obviously mounting in Jordan to join the battle, and Jordan has claimed shooting down one Israeli aircraft. Other Arab countries have promised to make contributions, and Iraq has announced it will send troops and aircraft. Morocco has indicated that 3,000 troops are available to be airlifted to the Egyptian front. On balance, it would seem that only Jordan's participation in the fighting is likely to be particularly important, while the other Arab involvement would be less significant.

We still have no reports of attacks on American citizens in any Arab countries. Nor has Soviet activity been of particular concern. Libya has been unusually quiet, with Qadhafi offering money but not troops.

From our perspective today, the most important developments are the following:

- If Israel has crossed to the West Bank of the Canal, the possibility of both sides' accepting the formula of cease-fire status quo ante will increase.
- If Israeli casualties and aircraft losses grow, Israel may resort to unconventional tactics of trying to outflank Syrian forces by going through Lebanon or Jordan, thus risking the broodening of the war. If we hope to keep Jordan out of the fighting, we may have to talk to both Israelis and Jordanians soon.
- Israel will doubtless request some urgent arms deliveries. We should probably hold off for another day, but on a contingency basis look into what can be done rapidly.

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, LE, SY, IS
SUBJ: LEBANESE DEMARCHE
REF: BEIRUT 11884

1. MATTER REFERRED TO REFTEL HAS BEEN TAKEN UP WITH ISRAELIS BY SECRETARY.]
2. YOU SHOULD NOT RPT NOT INFORM LEBANESE AT THIS TIME. WE EXPECT TO HEAR BACK FROM ISRAELIS SHORTLY, AT WHICH TIME YOU MAY BE AUTHORIZED INFORM LEBANESE OF OUR ACTION.
3. WE HAVE INFORMED UK HERE OF ABOVE, SINCE THEY TOO HAVE RECEIVED A SIMILAR REQUEST. THEY HAVE INSTRUCTED THEIR EMBASSY IN TEL AVIV TO EXPRESS HOPE ISRAELIS WILL EXERCISE RESTRAINT IN REGARD TO LEBANON EVEN IF THERE IS PROVOCATION.
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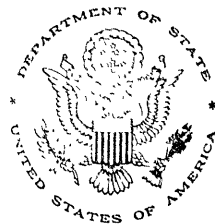
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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, IZ, US, IR, ENRG
SUBJECT: IRAQI ACTIONS IN SUPPORT OF WAR AGAINST ISRAEL

1. ALTHOUGH I HAVE ONLY RADIO ACCOUNTS TO GO BY, PRINCIPAL IRAQI ACTION IN SUPPORT OF EGYPT AND SYRIA AGAINST ISRAEL ARE NATIONALIZATION OF EXXON AND MOBIL PORTION OF BPC; DECISION NOT TO EXPORT OIL TO U.S. AND URGING OTHERS TO DO SAME; PUBLIC OFFER TO IRAN FOR RAPPROCHEMENT; AND PUBLIC ADMISSION THAT 12 HAWKER-HUNTERS ARE IN EGYPT TO ENGAGE THE ENEMY.

2. THESE ACTIONS SHOW CONSIDERABLE INGENUITY IN EXPLOITING WAR SITUATION TO SERVE IRAQI INTERESTS. GIVEN IRAQ'S ISOLATION FROM OTHER ARABS AND THE BATTLEFIELDS, A DRAMATIC ACT WAS REQUIRED TO DEMONSTRATE ITS CONTINUING ROLE AS AVANT GARDE REVOLUTIONARY. NATIONALIZATION OF LAST REMAINING U.S. INVESTMENT WAS NATURAL CHOICE GIVEN REGIME'S CONVICTION THAT ISRAEL'S STRENGTH AND MILITANCY ARE RESULT OF U.S. BACKING. PARTIAL NATIONALIZATION IS NOT NEW IDEA AND DEPT WILL RECALL IT WAS RAISED AS POSSIBILITY JUST PRIOR TO IPC SETTLEMENT. EVEN THOUGH COMPENSATION PROMISED, IT IS DOUBTFUL REGIME IS AWARE OF POSSIBLE ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES NATIONALIZATION

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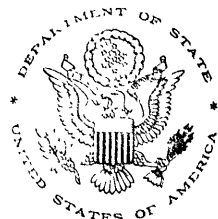
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CAN HAVE ON COMMERCIAL DEALINGS WITH U.S. BAN ON OIL EXPORTS TO U.S. FITS IN SAME CATEGORY, BUT HAS LITTLE PRACTICAL IMPORTANCE IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

3. REGIME'S OFFER OF RAPPROCHEMENT WITH IRAN IN NAME OF MUSLIM SOLIDARITY AND IN ORDER TO DEVOTE FULL ENERGIES TO BATTLE CONFIRMS, IN MY VIEW, THAT IRAQ HAS BEEN WORKING HARD FOR RAPPROCHEMENT BUT WAS UNABLE TO MAKE NEW MOVES WITHOUT LOSING FACE IN VIEW OF IRANIAN DISINTERESTEDNESS AND DISDAINFUL PUBLIC UTTERANCE OF SHAH ABOUT BAGHDAD REGIME. REAL REASON FOR SEEKING RAPPROCHEMENT REMAINS THAT IT IS PREREQUISITE TO RESOLVING KURDISH PROBLEM.

4. COMMENT: WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION NATIONALIZATION, WHICH HARD PRESSED BAATH REGIME PROBABLY SAW AS POLITICAL IMPERATIVE, GOI HAS TAKEN NO ACTION I AM AWARE OF THAT DAMAGE ITS OWN INTERESTS. GIVEN CLEAR INDICATIONS WE HAVE HAD DURING PAST TWO MONTHS OF IRAQI DESIRE FOR AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT, I RECOMMEND DEPT DELAY TAKING ANY IRREVOCABLE POSITION ON EXXON/MOBIL NATIONALIZATION UNTIL FULL FACTS KNOWN. BPC REP WILL OBTAIN DECREE AND IMPLEMENTING INSTRUCTIONS OCT 8,
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TAGS: MARR, SA, XF
SUBJECT: STATE OF ALERT ORDERED

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MOPS, XF
SUBJ: BRITISH CONVERSATION WITH HAFEZ ISMAIL

1. BRITISH EMBASSY HEAD OF CHANCERY GRAHAM PHONED ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO MORNING 21 OCTOBER 8 ON BEHALF LORD CROMER TO PASS REPORT JUST RECEIVED OF CONVERSATION BETWEEN BRITISH AMBASSADOR ADAMS IN CAIRO AND HAFEZ ISMAIL. GRAHAM SAID ADAMS SPOKE ALONG LINES OF WHAT PARSONS HAD TOLD AMBASSADORS IN LONDON, I.E. THAT UK CONTINUES TO ADHERE TO RESOLUTION 242 AND OTHER APPLICABLE INTERNATIONAL TIONS. ADAMS TOLD HAFEZ ISMAIL PRESENT FIGHTING ONLY UNDERLINES NEED FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH 242. UK ONLY WANTS BRING FIGHTING TO AN END AND FEELS THIS IS NO TIME FOR POST MORTEM OR ASSESSMENT OF BLAME; ONCE FIGHTING HAS BEEN STOPPED WE COULD SEE WHAT COULD BE DONE TOWARD A SETTLEMENT. ADAMS ADDED THAT AS UK SEES THINGS, IT IS ESSENTIAL FIGHTING BE STOPPED BOTH FOR

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HUMANITARIAN REASONS AND TO PREVENT ENTRY OF OTHER COUNTRIES AND CONSEQUENT BROADENING OF AREA OF HOSTILITIES.

2. GRAHAM SAID HAFEZ ISMAIL'S RESPONSE TO ADAMS WAS THAT WHILE HE RESPECTED UK'S HUMANITARIAN OUTLOOK AS FAR AS ARABS WERE CONCERNED, THEY WOULD PREFER THAT HOSTILITIES NOT BE RESTRICTED TO CURRENT ZONES (GRAHAM COMMENTED IMPLICATION OF THIS APPEARS TO BE THAT EGYPT WOULD LIKE JORDAN TO JOIN IN). HAFEZ ISMAIL SAID THERE ARE DISTURBING REPORTS OF MOVEMENTS OF U.S. SIXTH FLEET INTO THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND OF VOLUNTEERS ARMING IN ISRAEL.

3. GRAHAM SAID THAT IN GENERAL HAFEZ ISMAIL APPEARED TO TAKE ADAMS' REMARKS WELL. HAFEZ ISMAIL INDICATED EGYPT READY TO ACCEPT A CEASEFIRE, BUT ONLY ON "CERTAIN CONDITIONS" WHICH HE DID NOT DEFINE. ADAMS GOT IMPRESSION THAT THERE WAS MORE FLEXIBILITY IN HAFEZ ISMAIL'S REMARKS THAN HAD BEEN REFLECTED IN EARLIER REMARKS BY SADAT, WHO HAD REFUSED CONSIDER IDEA OF CEASEFIRE. BRITISH THOUGHT EGYPTIAN READINESS TO HAVE A CEASEFIRE WOULD GROW IF THINGS DO NOT GO WELL. KISSINGER

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Situation in the Middle East as of 1600 Hours (EDT), Oct. 8, 1971

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING ON MIDDLE EAST

1. SECURITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCINTYRE TOLD US AT NOON THAT OUR LETTER REQUESTING SC MEETING IS STILL ONLY DOCUMENT ON SUBJECT RECEIVED AND TO BE CITED IN DRAFT AGENDA. US IS ONLY SPEAKER INSCRIBED AND NONE OF PARTIES HAS REQUESTED RIGHT TO APPEAR.

2. THERE HAS BEEN RUMOR (WHICH MAY HAVE ORIGINATED AS SPECULATION AMONG WED'S) THAT MEETING WOULD BE ABORTED BY COUNCIL REJECTION OF AGENDA. HOWEVER, MCINTYRE HAD BEEN TOLD LATE IN MORNING BY INDONESIAN PERM REP SANI (WHOSE WORD MCINTYRE TRUSTS) THAT NO SUCH MOVE IS AFOOT AMONG NONALIGNED. RUSSIANS KEEP ASKING US WHAT OUR PLANS ARE, IMPLYING THEIR EXPECTATION MEETING WILL GO FORWARD.

3. MCINTYRE SAID SOME MEMBERS OF SC CONSIDERED WHETHER IN ABSENCE OF REQUEST FROM PARTIES TO PARTICIPATE, COUNCIL SHOULD INVITE THEM TO PARTICIPATE. WE WILL PLAY THIS ONE BY EAR, AVOIDING CONTENTION AND KEEPING IN MIND THAT WE ARE NOT IN A HURRY AND WILL SEEK TO MAINTAIN STately PACE.

4. AFTER ABOVE DRAFTED, MCINTYRE ADDED THAT SYRIA HAS NOW SUBMITTED LETTER ASKING TO PARTICIPATE AND ISRAEL EXPECTED TO DO SO SHORTLY.

5. IT REMAINS POSSIBLE THAT THIS AFTERNOON'S MEETING WILL

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: PFOR, MOPS, UK, EG, IS
SUBJECT: LATEST BRITISH VIEWS ON ME
REF: CAIRO 2987; 2989

1. ACCORDING TO FCO'S CRAIG, OCTOBER 8, ASST SECRETARY SISCO HAS BEEN SHOWN CABLE FROM BRITISH AMBASSADOR IN CAIRO WHICH REPORTED SADAT NOT RPT NOT WILLING ACCEPT CEASEFIRE UNTIL OCCUPIED TERRITORIES BACK UNDER EGYPTIAN CONTROL. CRAIG TOLD US REPORT DID NOT RPT NOT CONTAIN EXPRESSION SADAT'S WILLINGNESS COMPLY WITH CEASEFIRE RESOLUTION BY SC (PER PARA 3 CAIRO 3987) UNTIL FULL TERRITORIAL GOAL ACHIEVED.
2. ONLY IMPLICATION OF SUCH CEASEFIRE BEING ACCEPTED WOULD BE IN CONTEXT OF ISRAEL AGREEING TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONFERENCE TO SETTLE ME, WHICH CRAIG DISMISSED AS NON-STARTER.
3. WE UNDERSTAND US AND UK DELEGATIONS MET THIS MORNING

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IN NEW YORK. CRAIG SAID BRITISH BELIEVE A CEASEFIRE
URGENTLY NEEDED BECAUSE OF THREE PRIME DANGERS IF WAR
CONTINUES:

(A) JORDAN MAY BE SUCKED INTO WAR;

(B) LEBANON MAY BECOME INVOLVED THROUGH ISRAELI
COUNTER-ACTION AGAINST PALESTINIAN FEDAYEEN WHOSE
ACTIVITIES LEBANESE CANNOT CONTROL; AND

(C) CONTINUING POSSIBILITY OF SPORADIC TERRORIST ACTIONS
AGAINST ME OIL INSTALLATIONS AS OCCURRED IN 1967.

4. CRAIG ALSO SAID FRENCH ARE KEEPING THEIR HEAD DOWN.
THEY REFUSED TO JOIN BRITISH IN SUPPORTING CALL FOR SC
SESSION THOUGH STATING THEY WOULD NOT OBJECT TO ONE.
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TAGS: MOPS, XF
SUBJECT: THE FOURTH ARAB-ISRAELI WAR

REF: TEL AVIV 7816 (NOTAL)

1. AS WE MOVE INTO THE THIRD DAY OF THIS WAR, I BELIEVE IT IS STILL FAIRLY CERTAIN TO SAY THAT ISRAEL IS GOING TO WIN IT.

2. TODAY IS PROBABLY THE CRITICAL DAY. IDF, WHICH MUST PUSH BACK SYRIANS BEFORE IT CAN FOCUS ON EGYPTIAN FORCES EAST OF SUEZ CANAL, FACES SERIOUS ZDS#ON THE GOLAND HEIGHTS. IF

THE CLOUDY WEATHER WHICH PREVAILS THIS MORNING SHOULD INHIBIT THE USE OF THE ISRAELI AIR FORCE TO FULL EFFECT AGAINST THE SYRIAN ARMOR, THE ISRAELI GROUND FORCES COULD HAVE THEIR HANDS FULL, SINCE MOBILIZATION STILL ONGOING AND REINFORCEMENTS ARE NOT ALL IN PLACE. AS A RESULT, THE WAR COULD LAST LONGER AND COULD COST MORE THAN WE HAD THOUGHT YESTERDAY.

3. ONE THING IS BECOMING CLEAR: ISRAELI CASUALTIES ON BOTH FRONTS ARE MOUNTING. THE SERIOUSNESS OF THIS FACTOR IS IMPLIED IN THE FACT THAT THE GOI IS NOT TELLING ITS PEOPLE

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ABOUT IT (NOR IS IT GIVING US HARD INFO ON THE SUBJECT).
I BELIEVE THAT WHEN THE FULL IMPACT IS FELT IN ISRAEL ON THE
BLOOD THIS WAR WILL HAVE COST, THE GOI'S POLITICAL OPTIONS MAY BE
REDUCED: THE NATION WILL EXPECT A DECISIVE WAR OUTCOME AND A
POSTWAR SITUATION WHICH LOOKS SECURE FOR ISRAEL.

4. ANOTHER THING WHICH THE GOI IS SHIELDING ITS PUBLIC FROM IS
THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE DIFFICULTIES THE IDF IS FACING. OBVIOUSLY
THE GOI'S FIRST CONSIDERATION IN DOING SO IS THE MAINTENANCE
OF MORALE. A SECONDARY CONSIDERATION MIGHT BE JORDAN:
SURELY THE ISRAELIS APPRECIATE THAT JORDAN (WITH MEMORIES OF
1967) DOES NOT BELIEVE SYRIAN AND EGYPTIAN MILITARY COMMUNIQUE
AND IS MORE INCLINED TO ACCEPT THE ISRAELI VERSION AS ACCURATE.
KEEPING JORDAN OUT OF THE WAR MUST BE HIGH ISRAELI PRIORITY.

5. AS SOON AS WE HAVE A BETTER IDEA OF HOW LONG THE WAR IS
GOING TO LAST AND WHAT IT IS GOING TO COST ISRAEL, WE WILL
BE BETTER ABLE TO JUDGE THE DIRECTION IN WHICH THE USG
CAN USEFULLY SEEK TO GUIDE ISRAELI POLICY.
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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST SITUATION

1. KUWAIT'S 3690 PERFECTLY STATES BASIC POINT I TRIED TO MAKE IN URGING SUPPORT FOR STANDSTILL CEASEFIRE. PREVIOUSLY WE INSISTED THAT ISRAELIS WERE NOT REQUIRED TO RETURN TO OLD ARMISTICELINE AND THAT ISRAEL HAD RIGHT TO RETAIN AT LEAST SOME ARAB TERRITORY GAINED BY CONQUEST IN 1967. SHOULD WE NOW INSIST ON RESTORATION STATUS QUO ANTE WHILE ARABS HAVE REOCCUPIED SOME OF THEIR OWN TERRITORY, WE WOULD BE SAYING ISRAELIS CAN KEEP ARAB TERRITORY TAKEN BY FORCE BUT ARABS HAVE NO RIGHT TO RETAIN THEIR OWN TERRITORY EVEN WHEN THEY HAVE RETAKEN IT.

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2. RESPONSIBLE LEBANESE WITH WHOM WE HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH BELIEVE US AND ONLY US HAS STRONG ENOUGH POSITION WITH BOTH SIDES TO TRANSFORM CURRENT CHAOS INTO PERMANENT PEACE SETTLEMENT. THEY BELIEVE WE HAVE BEEN RESTRAINED AND OBJECTIVE IN OUR PUBLIC COMMENTS SO FAR AND NOTE THAT, IN TURN, EGYPT AND SYRIA HAVE GIVEN US REASONABLE TREATMENT IN THEIR PUBLIC MEDIA DURING PRESENT ROUND.

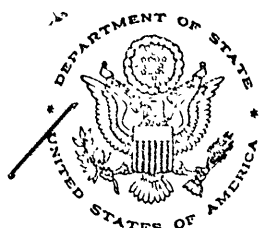
3. CONSENSUS OF OPINION AMONG THESE LEADERS IS THAT WITH SURPRISING DEMONSTRATION OF MILITARY ABILITY AND COURAGE BY EGYPTIANS AND SYRIANS OVER LAST TWO DAYS, ARABS HAVE REGAINED THEIR SELF-ESTEEM, NO LONGER FEEL HUMILIATED AND WOULD NOW GO TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE WITH A DEGREE OF CONFIDENCE AND DOMESTIC POLITICAL SUPPORT THAT WOULD PERMIT THEM TO ENGAGE IN MEANINGFUL PEACE DISCUSSIONS.

4. HOWEVER, SHOULD USG APPEAR TO RALLY TO ISRAELI POINT OF VIEW FOR EXAMPLE BY LINKING-CEASEFIRE TO RETURN TO STATUS QUO ANTE, USG WILL IMMEDIATELY BE CONDEMNED BY ARABS, SACRIFICE ITS PRESENT STANDING, AND THEREBY LOSE WHAT MAY BE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO BRING ABOUT REAL PROGRESS TOWARD A SETTLEMENT. WE WOULD PROBABLY PAY HIGH NATIONAL PRICE IN THE PROCESS, AS EMBASSY KUWAIT SUGGESTS.

5. FINAL POINT WHICH DESERVES MENTION IS FACT THAT, AT LEAST ON EGYPTIAN FRONT, FREEZING CEASEFIRE LINES AS OF TODAY, WOULD STILL NOT RPT NOT DENY ISRAELIS ANY ARAB TERRITORY THEY APPEAR TO COVET AS ESSENTIAL FOR SECURITY IN FINAL PEACE SETTLEMENT. AS FAR AS I AM AWARE, EVEN WITH ALL THEIR HOPES OF HOLDING PARTS OF SINAI AND SHARM AL SHAYKH, GOI HAS NOT CONTEMPLATED EGYPTIAN AGREEMENT TO ISRAELI RETENTION OF EAST BANK OF CANAL.
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TAGS: PFOR, MOPS, EG, IS
SUBJ: SADAT'S VIEW ON CEASE FIRE

1. HAVE JUST RETURNED, FLYING FROM TABUK WITH JORDANIAN
AMBASSADOR TO CAIRO ABDUL MUNIM RIFAI. LATTER WAS DES-
PATCHED BY SADAT TO TALK TO KING. ACCORDING RIFAI, SADAT HAS
LEARNED THAT USG IS PLANNING TO PUSH FOR A CEASE-FIRE AND RETURN
TO STATUS
QUO ANTE AND HE CONSIDERS THIS COMPLETELY UNACC-
EPTABLE TO EGYPT. RIFAI PLANS TO DISCUSS THIS WITH KING.

2. RIFAI LEFT CAIRO EARLY THIS MORNING AND IS OUT OF TOUCH
WITH WHAT HAPPENED TODAY. HE WILL BE REPORTING TO KING THAT
SADAT AND EGYPTIAN MILITARY BELIEVE THEY HAVE WON IMPORTANT
VICTORY AND THAT THEY CANNOT BE PUSHED BACK ACROSS THE CANAL.
HE WILL ALSO SAY THAT SADAT HAS LARGE ADDITIONAL FORCES WHICH
HE PLANS TO PUT INTO BATTLE TODAY AND TOMORROW. EGYPTIAN

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MILITARY BELIEVE THEY HAVE STRENGTH TO PUSH WELL INTO
SINAI AND ARE URGING THIS ON SADAT. ALL OF THIS OPTIMISM
MAY HAVE THE WRONG SORT OF EFFECT ON KING. I WILL SEE HIM
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. BROWN

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, MOPS, JO
SUBJ: COOLING OFF THE KING

1. I WILL SEE KING AND PM IN MORNING.

2. SEND ME A FLASH CABLE TIMED FOR ABOUT 0700 ZULU SETTING FORTH OUR VIEWS. MAKE IT CANDID. GIVE ME THE LATEST INFO AND FACTS I NEED TO COOL HIM OFF IF, AS I SUSPECT, THE OTHERS ARE GETTING TO HIM WITH THEIR APPEALS FOR JORDANIAN INTERVENTION. DON'T FORGET HOW HE ACTED IN 1967 EVEN WHEN HE KNEW IN HIS HEART THAT IT WOULD BE A HOPELESS GESTURE.

3. IF WE WANT TO BE MILDLY THREATENING, I'LL DO IT.

4. LET ME HAVE AS WELL HOW WE SEE APPEAL FOR CEASEFIRE GOING. IF NEWS IS SUCH THAT HE WON'T LIKE IT, IT WOULD BE BETTER TO TELL HIM NOW THAN TO LET HIM HEAR IT FROM THIRD PARTIES WHO DO NOT HAVE SAME INTERESTS THAT WE DO.
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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: UN, XF, UK, PFOR
SUBJ: ME IN SC: UK DRAFT RES

1. UKUN (STRICTLY PROTECT) HAS PASSED US LANGUAGE WHICH LONDON HAS PROPOSED AS POSSIBLE BASIS FOR COMPROMISE SC RES. BRITISH HAVE NO INTENTION OF TABLING BEFORE OCTOBER 9, AND THEN ONLY AFTER CONSULTING WITH USG. THEY ASKED, IN RETURN, THAT US CONSULT WITH HMG BEFORE INTRODUCING RES OF ITS OWN.

2. FOLLOWING IS GIST OF BRITISH DRAFT:

SC WOULD CALL FOR "IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES IN ORDER TO CREATE CONDITIONS IN WHICH RAPID PROGRESS COULD BE MADE TOWARD A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SC RES 242."

3. NUMBER OF SC MEMBERS, INCLUDING FRENCH, ARE PREDICTING FOLLOWING SC SCENARIO: US WILL TABLE RES CALLING FOR CEASE-FIRE IN CONJUNCTION WITH RETURN TO OCTOBER 6 LINES, NON-ALIGNED WILL RESPOND BY CALLING FOR WITHDRAWAL TO JUNE 67 BOUNDARIES, LATTER RES WILL OBTAIN MAJORITY, AND US WILL VETO. IT IS THIS OUTCOME THAT UK DRAFT IS DESIGNED TO AVOID.

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TAGS: UN XF PFOR SC
SUBJ: SC CONSULTATIONS ON EGYPTIAN REQUEST FOR REMOVAL OF
UN OBSERVERS

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1. FOLLOWING SC MEETING ON ME, SC PRESIDENT MCINTYRE CALLED
FOR CONSULTATIONS TO DISCUSS EGYPTIAN GOVT'S REQUEST FOR
TRANSFER OF UN MILITARY OBSERVERS FROM THEIR POSTS TO CAIRO.
(SEE SEPTEL, TRANSMITTING EGYPTIAN LETTER CONTAINED IN UN
DOC S/11013, 8, OCT 1973).

2. SC PRESIDENT (MCINTYRE OF AUSTRALIA) STATED MEETING OFF BY
CALLING ATTENTION OF ALL MEMBERS TO URGENCY WITH WHICH SYG
VIEWED EGYPTIAN REQUEST. SYG HAD ASKED SC MAKE NECESSARY
ARRANGEMENTS TO EFFECT REMOVAL OF UN OBSERVERS TO CAIRO TO ENSURE
THEIR SAFETY. SC PRESIDENT THEN ASKED FOR VIEWS OF MEMBERS OF
SC, SAYING HE REALIZED INSTRUCTIONS FROM GOVTS MIGHT BE NECESSARY.
SUDAN BEGAN BY POINTING OUT IMPORTANCE OF WORDING IN PARA 3 OF
LETTER CALLING FOR TRANSFER ONLY (NOT REMOVAL) AND SAID THAT
SUDAN WOULD AGREE WHOLEHEARTEDLY WITH HUMANITARIAN REQUEST OF
EGYPTIAN GOVT. CHINESE REMINDED SC OF THEIR POSITION ON MILITARY
OBSERVERS IN GENERAL, BUT STATED THAT SINCE REQUEST MADE BY
EGYPTIAN GOVT CHINA WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION. IN VIEW INSECURITY
OF PRESENT POSITIONS AND QUESTIONABLE USEFULNESS OF OBSERVERS
IN THOSE POSITIONS, KENYA SUPPORTED EGYPTIAN REQUEST.

3. MALIK (USSR) STATED THAT NO MEMBER NEEDED SEEK INSTRUCTIONS
AND ALL SHOULD BE ABLE AGREE TO SUPPORT REQUEST OF EGYPT IN
VIEW OF URGENCY OF REQUEST AND DANGEROUS PREVAILING CIRCUMSTANCES
IN AREA. HE THEREFORE ASKED PRESIDENT TO REPORT TO SYG THAT
SC TOOK NOTE OF HIS LETTER AND AGREED TO EGYPTIAN REQUEST.
GUINEA GAVE UNRESERVED SUPPORT TO EGYPTIAN REQUEST. INDONESIA
AGREED TO REQUEST, BUT ASKED WHETHER SYG HAD RECEIVED PERSONAL

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OPINION OF UN CHIEF OF STAFF IN EGYPT, INDIA, PANAMA, YUGOSLAVIA AND PERU ALL AGREED WITH EGYPTIAN REQUEST. ONLY INTERVENTION REQUESTING FURTHER INFORMATION WAS MADE BY US (SCHAUFLE) WHO REQUESTED UN ASSESSMENT OF NEED TO TRANSFER OBSERVERS. HE NOTED LACK OF CURRENT READING FROM CHIEF OF STAFF AS TO IMMINENT DANGER TO OBSERVERS, HOW MANY IN FACT HAD ALREADY BEEN WITHDRAWN ON AUTHORITY OF CHIEF OF STAFF, ABSENCE OF REQUESTS FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM OTHER COUNTRIES IN AREA, POSSIBILITY OF GUARANTEES BY BELLIGERENTS FOR SECURITY OF OBSERVATION POSTS WHOSE LOCATIONS ARE WELL KNOWN, ETC. SCHAUFLE FINALLY NOTED THAT BATTLELINES IN FIGHTING CHANGE SO RAPIDLY THAT IT SHOULD BE LEFT TO DISCRETION OF CHIEF OF STAFF HIMSELF TO DETERMINE SECURITY NEEDS OF HIS PERSONNEL, AND SAID SC SHOULD EXAMINE HIS REPORT PRIOR TO COMMITTING ITSELF.

4. UK STATED THAT GIVEN URGENT HUMANITARIAN ASPECTS, BRITISH QUITE PREPARED TO ACCEPT JUDGMENT OF SYG ON SITUATION BUT HOPED HE WOULD FORM JUDGMENT IN CONSULTATION WITH CHIEF OF STAFF UNTSO. AS A COMPROMISE, FRANCE SUGGESTED REPORT STATING SC HAD NO OBJECTION TO SYG RESPONDING AFFIRMATIVELY TO EGYPTIAN REQUEST AFTER CONSULTATION WITH CHIEF OF STAFF AS TO WHERE NEW OBSERVER POSTS SHOULD BE LOCATED. HOWEVER, THIS WAS BATTED DOWN BY KENYA, FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY BY USSR, WHO STATED THAT IN EFFECT SC WOULD BE GIVING CHIEF OF STAFF VETO POWER OVER REQUEST OF MEMBER STATE AND REMINDED SC THAT OBSERVERS TOOK UP POSTS ONLY AFTER AGREEMENT OF MEMBER STATE.

5. AT THIS POINT IN MEETING, URQUHART (UN) ENTERED MEETING AND SAID THAT FULL REPORT FROM CHIEF OF STAFF WAS ON ITS WAY TO UN HQTS AND WOULD BE READY BY MORNING. URQUHART RESPONDED TO US QUESTION BY SAYING THAT IN FACT SOME OBSERVERS HAD ALREADY BEEN REMOVED ON AUTHORITY OF CHIEF OF STAFF.

6. IT WAS THEN AGREED THAT PRESIDENT WOULD REPORT TO SYG FACT THAT NO AGREEMENT REACHED, BUT THAT MAJORITY OF SC AGREED WITH EGYPTIAN REQUEST TO TRANSFER OBSERVERS TO CAIRO. SYG WAS TO BE TOLD FURTHER CONSULTATION WAS NECESSARY, AND AGREEMENT MIGHT BE REACHED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF UN REPORT FROM FIELD.

7. COMMENT: AFTER MEETING URQUHART CONFIRMED TO SCHAUFLE THAT TWO OBSERVATION POSTS ARE STILL MAINTAINED AND NOBODY IN DANGER. URQUHART FURTHER STATED THAT ORIGINAL EGYPTIAN REQUEST WAS COUCHED IN EXTREMELY HARSH LANGUAGE AND WAS RETURNED SO THAT IT COULD BE MODERATED. URQUHART'S PRIMARY POINT TO SCHAUFLE WAS THAT SC SHOULD EXERCISE CAUTION LEST ACTION BE TAKEN BY SC THAT MIGHT JEOPARDIZE EVENTUAL RETURN OF OBSERVERS TO THEIR POSITIONS.

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SC CONVENED AT 6:00PM OCT. 8, AT US REQUEST, TO CONSIDER MIDDLE EAST SITUATION, AND HEARD STATEMENTS BY US, EGYPT, CHINA, ISRAEL, UK AND USSR. SC PRES MCINTYRE (AUSTRALIA) CALLED ATTENTION TO SYG'S LETTER (S/11413) INFORMING SC EGYPT REQUESTED IMMEDIATE EVACUATION OF UN MILITARY OBSERVERS TO CAIRO, AND AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING HE ASKED COUNCIL MEMBERS TO CONSULT WITH HIM REGARDING IT. SC ADJOURNED AT 7:30 AND NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 3:30PM, OCT 9.

SCALI STATED REPORTS FROM UN SOURCES APPEARED INDICATE ATTACKS IN GOLAN HEIGHTS INITIATED BY SYRIAN MIG AIRCRAFT AND FIRST FIRING ON SUEZ FRONT, AT SAME TIME AS SYRIAN ATTACK, WAS FROM WEST TO EAST. ON INDICATIONS OF POSSIBLE OUTBREAK US TOOK INTENSIVE DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IMMEDIATELY IN HOPES OUTBREAK MIGHT BE PREVENTED. GIVEN SITUATION, US FELT IT COULD NOT FAIL TO EXERCISE ITS RESPONSIBILITIES AS PERM SC MEMBER. US PROPOSED NOT ASSESS RESPONSIBILITY, BUT HELP PROMOTE SOLUTION. THERE WERE THREE PRINCIPLES SC MUST SEEK TO APPLY: MILITARY OPERATIONS MUST BE HALTED; CONDITIONS IN AREA MUST BE RESTORED THAT WOULD BE CONDUCIVE TO SETTLEMENT OF LONGSTANDING DIFFERENCES IN AREA, AND "LEAST DAMAGING WAY TO BRING THIS ABOUT" WOULD BE FOR PARTIES CONCERNED TO RETURN TO POSITIONS BEFORE HOSTILITIES BROKE OUT; AND FOUNDATIONS SO LABORIOUSLY ACHIEVED IN PAST FOR NEGOTIATIONS LOOKING TOWARD PEACE MUST NOT BE DESTROYED UNDER STRESS OF MILITARY EMERGENCY.

EGYPTIAN FONMIN EL-ZAYYAT CHARGED ISRAEL ATTACKED EGYPTIAN FORCES OCT. 8, AND EGYPTIANS COUNTER-ATTACKED ACROSS SUEZ AND HOISTED THEIR FLAG ON THEIR OWN TERRITORY. QUESTIONING US REFERENCE TO UN REPORTS, HE DECLARED NO UN OBSERVERS AT EL ZAAFARANA AND EL SUKHNA TO WITNESS ISRAELI ATTACKS. HE CLAIMED CEASEFIRE RESES ONLY TEMPORARY AND AFTER 90-DAY EXPIRATION EGYPT STATED IT WAS NO LONGER BOUND BY CEASEFIRE. IF "RETURN TO POSITIONS BEFORE HOSTILITIES BROKE OUT" MEANT RETURN TO 1967 BORDERS, HE AGREED, BUT ANY OTHER INTERPRETATION WAS INVITATION FOR ONE STATE TO OCCUPY ANOTHER.

HUANG HUA (CHINA) SAID ISRAELI ZIONISTS, "WITH CONNIVANCE AND SUPPORT OF SUPERPOWERS" HAD BEEN "FRANTICALLY PURSUING POLICY OF AGGRESSION AND EXPANSION OVER LONG PERIOD" AND OCT 6 LAUNCHED FRESH MILITARY ATTACKS AGAINST EGYPT, SYRIA AND PALESTINIAN GUERRILLAS. IT WAS "PERFECTLY JUST" FOR ARAB COUNTRIES TO "RISE IN RESISTANCE TO INVADING ENEMIES ON THEIR OWN SACRED TERRITORIES." HE DESCRIBED AS "PREPOSTEROUS" PROPOSAL EGYPT AND SYRIA WITHDRAW TO THEIR POSITIONS PRIOR TO COUNTER-ATTACK, AND SAID IF SC TO ADOPT ANY RES IT SHOULD CONDEMN ISRAELI ZIONIST AGGRESSION AND SUPPORT ARAB PEOPLES.

ISRAELI FONMIN EBAN EMPHASIZED ALL AVENUES TO PEACE TRIED EXCEPT NEGOTIATIONS, NOTED ISRAEL SENT LETTER TO SC ABOUT ATTACK BY EGYPT AND SYRIA, HOPED EGYPTIAN FONMIN WOULD BRING SOME EVIDENCE OF HIS "ODIOUS FALSEHOOD" OF ISRAELI

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ATTACK WHICH THEY BOTH KNEW NEVER HAD TAKEN PLACE, AND SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS SC FURTHER AT FUTURE MEETING.

MAITLAND(UK) NOTED FIGHTING IN THAT VITALLY IMPORTANT AREA CARRIED WITH IT "GRAVE RISKS THAT CONFLAGRATION WILL SPREAD." SUPPORT FOR

SC RES 242, AND SUGGESTED SC HAD RESPONSIBILITY TO: 1) ISSUE URGENT CALL FOR CESSATION OF FIGHTING, AND 2) "TREAT THESE TRAGIC EVENTS AS CATALYST FOR STARTING GENUINE DIPLOMATIC PROCESS IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT."

MALIK (USSR) DID NOT REGARD IT AS APPROPRIATE TO CONVENE SC NOW, SUPPORTED "VICTIMS OF AGGRESSION", CONSIDERED THEIR WISH TO "DRIVE OUT FOREIGN OCCUPIERS" LEGITIMATE, AND MENTIONED "REACTIONARY CIRCLES" AND ISRAEL'S "PATRONS." HE SAID NO NEW SC DECISIONS REQUIRED BUT ONLY IMPLEMENTATION OF PREVIOUS ONES, AND CONCLUDED THAT WITHOUT CLEARCUT STATEMENT BY ISRAEL ON ITS READINESS TO WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY FROM ALL OCCUPIED TERRITORIES THERE COULD BE NO CONSTRUCTIVE SC DECISION ON ME.

GA PLENARY--MIDDLE EAST, GENERAL DEBATE

GA OCT 8 AGAINST INTERRUPTED GENERAL DEBATE WHEN PRES BENITZ (ECUADOR) STATED AT OUTSET IF THERE WAS NO OBJECTION HE WOULD GIVE TO EGYPT, SYRIA AND ISRAEL (WHO HAD SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS A/9190, A/9203, A/9204) TO MAKE STATEMENTS OF INFORMATIVE CHARACTER. RIGHTS OF REPLY WERE EXERCISED BY SAUDI ARABIA AND ZAIRE. GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENTS THEN MADE BY YEMEN, HUNGARY, DAHOMEY, JORDAN, UKRAINE, KUWAIT, BOLIVIA, SOMALIA, AND BELGIUM. DURING AFTERNOON EGYPTIAN REP INTERRUPTED DEBATE TO ANNOUNCE ISRAELIS HAD BOMBED PORT SAID.

TAKING UP GENERAL COMITE REPORT, GA APPROVED WITHOUT OBJECTION INCLUSION IN AGENDA OF : SOV-PROPOSED ITEM ON REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS OF PERM SC MEMBERS (ALLOCATED TO PLENARY;) FRENCH ITEM ON EFFECTS OF ATOMIC RADIATION (SPECIAL POLITICAL COMITE); AND INCLUSION OF ARABIC AMONG UN OFFICIAL AND WORKING LANGUAGES(COMITE 5). OCT. 9 GA WILL HEAR PRES OF UPPER VOLTA, AND CONTINUE GENERAL DEBATE WITH STATEMENTS BY MALAYSIA, MALI, SRILANKA, BHUTAN, ROMANIA, MAURITIUS, CHILE, TUNISIA AND GUATAMALA.
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SUBJ: US STATEMENT TO SC ON ME SITUATION

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT TO SC BY AMB. SCALI DELIVERED
LATE AFTERNOON OCTOBER 8:

MR. PRESIDENT, THE UNITED STATES HAS REQUESTED THAT THE
SECURITY COUNCIL BE CONVENED TODAY IN ORDER THAT IT MIGHT DEAL
URGENTLY WITH THE CURRENT SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MORE THAN THREE YEARS, ARMED
HOSTILITIES HAVE BROKEN OUT ON A MASSIVE SCALE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.
THE CEASEFIRE WE HAVE STUGHT TO MAINTAIN HAS BEEN
BROKEN. THE RECOURSE TO TRAGIC VIOLENCE WE HAVE STUGHT TO
AVOID IS UPON US.

REPORT BASED ON UNITED NATIONS SOURCES APPEAR TO INDICATE
THAT THE AIR ATTACKS IN THE GOLAN HEIGHTS WERE INITIATED BY
SYRIAN MIG AIRCRAFT AND THAT THE FIRST FIRING ON THE SUEZ
FRONT, WHICH TOOK PLACE AT THE SAME TIME AS THE SYRIAN ATTACK,
WAS FROM WEST TO EAST. THE SUBSEQUENT DEVELOPMENT OF THE
FIGHTING HAS BEEN FULLY COVERED IN THE PRESS.

IN THE DAYS BEFORE FIGHTING BROKE OUT, WE RECEIVED
REPORTS OF INTENSIFIED MILITARY ACTIVITIES IN THE MIDDLE EASTERN
AREA. WE WATCHED THESE DEVELOPMENTS CLOSELY, BUT UNTIL A FEW
HOURS BEFORE MILITARY OPERATIONS STARTED, WE WERE UNABLE TO CON-
CLUDE THAT THESE ACTIVITIES WERE A PRELUDE TO ACTUAL FIGHTING.

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THIS IS A REGION IN WHICH ALARMS AND ALERTS ARE FAIRLY FREQUENT. IN THEMSELVES, MILITARY MOVEMENTS WOULD NOT NECESSARILY INDICATE THAT COMBAT WAS ABOUT TO BEGIN. WHEN, VERY SHORTLY BEFORE THE INITIAL ATTACKS TOOK PLACE, WE RECEIVED INDICATIONS THAT THIS WAS THE FACT, WE IMMEDIATELY UNDERTOOK INTENSIVE DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IN HOPE THAT THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES MIGHT BE PREVENTED. WE DISCUSSED THE SITUATION DIRECTLY WITH ISRAEL AND EGYPT. WE CONSULTED OTHER PERMANENT MEMBERS AND EXCHANGED VIEWS WITH ANY GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTED ON THIS COUNCIL. OTHERS IN AND OUTSIDE OF THE AREA PURSUED PARALLEL EFFORTS. WE KEPT IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM WHO ALSO LENT HIS GREAT WEIGHT AND PRESTIGE TO THE EFFORTS. UNFORTUNATELY THESE EFFORTS DID NOT PREVENT THE OUTBREAK, AND INTENSE FIGHTING CONTINUES.

IN SO SERIOUS A SITUATION WE FELT THAT WE COULD NOT FAIL TO EXERCISE OUR RESPONSIBILITY, AS A PERMANENT MEMBER OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL, TO REQUEST A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL IN ORDER THAT IT MIGHT BE SEIZED OF THE GRAVE SITUATION WHICH HAD ARISEN. NOT TO HAVE DONE THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN TO FAIL IN OUR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CHARTER. WE HOPE THAT IN THE DAYS AHEAD THE COUNCIL BY ITS DELIBERATION CAN RESOLVE IN THE MOST CRITICAL AND EXPLOSIVE AREA IN THE WORLD.

DEFINITIVE JUDGEMENTS AS TO CONSTRUCTIVE ACTION ARE DIFFICULT IN VIEW OF THE FLUIDITY OF THE SITUATION. MY GOVERNMENT HAS ITSELF MADE NOT SUCH JUDGMENTS. NOR HAVE WE FELT IT WOULD BE CONSTRUCTIVE TO DIVERT THE COUNCIL'S ENERGIES AND ATTENTION TO THE QUESTION OF ASSESSING BLAME.

OUR PURPOSE TODAY IS NOT TO SIFT CONFLICTING REPORTS OR TO ASSESS RESPONSIBILITY FOR WHAT HAS OCCURRED. OUR PURPOSE IS TO HELP PROMOTE A SOLUTION FOR THE TENSE AND DANGEROUS SITUATION CONFRONTING US.

WE RECOGNIZE THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO SEPARATE PROXIMATE FROM UNDERLYING CAUSES. THE FORMER MAY BE CLEARCUT, BUT THE LATTER ARE COMPLEX, AND PERCEPTIONS OF RIGHT AND WRONG INEVITABLY VARY. IT HAS BEEN OVER SIX YEARS SINCE THE PRESENT ABNORMAL SITUATION WAS CREATED IN THE WAKE OF THE 1967 ARAB-ISRAELI WAR. THAT WAR IN TURN FOLLOWED EIGHTEEN YEARS OF ABNORMAL ARMISTICE. FOR THE FAILURE TO MOVE FROM ABNORMAL ARMISTICE AND CEASEFIRE TO POLITICAL ACCOMMODATION AND PEACE, THERE IS MORE THAN ENOUGH BLAME TO GO AROUND. ALL CONCERNED HAVE MISSED OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE THE TRANSITION OVER THE PAST 25 YEARS.

WE HAVE GIVEN PRELIMINARY THOUGHT TO THE DIRECTION IN WHICH THIS COUNCIL MIGHT MOVE IN DEALING WITH THIS PROBLEM, SO THAT NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE PRACTICAL PROGRESS TOWARD PEACE CAN BE CREATED, AND THE PRESENT TRAGEDY CAN BE MADE A NEW BEGINNING RATHER THAN SIMPLY ANOTHER LOST OPPORTUNITY. AS WE SEE IT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PRINCIPLES WHICH THE COUNCIL MUST SEEK TO APPLY.

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FIRST, IN SITUATION WHERE FIGHTING IS RAGING UNCHECKED, THE MOST APPROPRIATE MEANS MUST BE FOUND FOR BRINGING THE HOSTILITIES TO AN END. MILITARY OPERATIONS MUST BE HALTED. 5+3 87, .75 !-)) 8)3,5 5 5 -5 -\$\$\$589,-) #7.-, 7!!348,8 .-6 ?3 -;98\$3\$ AND THE SEARCH FOR PEACE MAY PROCEED.

SECOND, CONDITIONS MUST BE RESTORED IN THE AREA THAT WOULD BE CONDUCTIVE TO A SETTLEMENT OF THE LONG-STANDING DIFFERENCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THERE MUST BE RESPECT FOR THE RIGHTS AND POSITIONS OF ALL THE STATES IN THE REGION. A BEGINNING MUST BE

MADE TOWARD CONVERTING THE SHARP CONFRONTATION OF VIOLENTLY OPPOSING CLAIMS AND COUNTERCLAIMS, WHICH FOR OVER A QUARTER OF A CENTURY HAS MADE TRUE STABILITY IMPOSSIBLE, TO A MORE REASON-ED DISCOURSE AIMED AT GENUINE RECONCILIATION. THE LEAST DAMAGING WAY TO BRING THIS ABOUT IS TO HAVE THE PARTIES CONCERNED RETURN TO THE POSITIONS BEFORE HOSTILITIES BROKE OUT.

THIRD, IN ALL ITS EFFORTS THE COUNCIL MUST BE MINDFUL OF THE NEED FOR UNIVERSAL RESPECT FOR THE INTEGRITY OF THOSE INSTRUMENTS AND PRINCIPLES OF SETTLEMENT FOR THE MIDDLE EASTERN

DISPUTE WHICH HAVE RECEIVED THE ADHERENCE OF THE INTERESTED PARTIES AND THE SUPPORT OF THE COUNCIL'S AUTHORITY. THE FOUNDATIONS SO LABORIOUSLY ACHIEVED IN THE PAST FOR NEGOTIATIONS

LOOKING TOWARD A MIDDLE EASTERN PEACE MUST NOT BE DESTROYED UNDER THE STRESS OF A MILITARY EMERGENCY.

THESE PRINCIPLES, IN THE OPINION OF MY GOVERNMENT, CONSTITUTE THE FRAMEWORK WITHIN WHICH WE CAN ACT IN THIS COUNCIL

TO REDUCE THE PREVAILING TENSION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND TO PREPARE FOR A REINVIGORATION OF THE PROCESS OF PEACEMAKING. WE ARE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THESE PRINCIPLES, AND ANY OTHERS WHICH OTHER MEMBERS

MAY PUT FORWARD, AS A BASIS FOR THE FURTHER ACTION.

WHAT WE SEEK IN THIS COUNCIL IS NOT A WAR OF WORDS, BUT A BROAD CONSENSUS WHICH WILL ENABLE THE COUNCIL TO PUT THE FULL WEIGHT OF ITS INFLUENCE BEHIND THE TASK OF RESTORING PEACE, SO THAT THE MIDDLE EAST CAN BE SET ON A NEW COURSE POINTING TOWARD A BETTER ERA IN THE REGION.

LET US THEREFORE RENOUNCE THE STERILE GAINS OF PROPAGANDA AND TURN TO SERIOUS DISCUSSION. THE SITUATION IS URGENT; THE NEED IS GREAT, AND TIME PRESSES. UNQUOTE

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SUBJ: SC MEETING ON ME

1. WHEN SC MEETING FINALLY CONVENED SHORTLY AFTER 6:00 PM, OCT 8, AGENDA WAS APPROVED WITHOUT INCIDENT AND AMB SCALI DELIVERED US STATEMENT TO PACKED HOUSE. FULL TEXT SEPTEL.

2. EGYPTIAN FONMIN EL-ZAYYAT'S STATEMENT WAS HASTY PASTE-
UP JOB, KEYED TO SCALI STATEMENT BUT WITH FIRE
CONCENTRATED ON ISRAELIS. HE CHALLENGED IDEA THAT LEGAL
CEASEFIRE IN EXISTENCE, ALLEGING THAT CEASEFIRE HAD ONLY
BEEN PRESCRIBED FOR NINETY-DAY PERIOD AND HAD BEEN
FORMALLY RENOUNCED BY EGYPT. NO LEGAL CEASEFIRE LINE EXISTED.
EL-ZAYYAT CHALLENGED US INTERPRETATION OF UN SOURCES
ON INITIATION HOSTILITIES AND PLACED BLAME ON ISRAELIS. HE
WELCOMED SCLAI RECOGNITION, IN HIS STATEMENT AND IN HIS
LETTER REQUESTING SC MEETING, THAT SC HAD RESPONSIBILITIES
FOR DEALING WITH ME. IF SCALI'S PHRASE "RETURN TO THE
POSITIONS BEFORE HOSTILITIES BROKE OUT" HAD MEANT RETURN
TO 1967 BORDERS, EL-ZAYYAT FULLY AGREED. IF IT MEANT
ANYTHING ELSE, IT WAS INVITATION FOR ONE COUNTRY TO OCCUPY

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ANOTHER'S TERRITORY.

3. ISRAELI EDNMIN ERAN EFFECTIVELY MADE BRIEF AND UPBEAT
RESPONSE TO EL-ZAYYAT, EMPHASIZING THAT ALL AVENUES TO
PEACE HAD BEEN TRIED EXCEPT NEGOTIATIONS. ERAN SAID HE
WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK AT GREATER LENGTH LATER, AFTER
STUDYING SCALI AND EL-ZAYYAT STATEMENTS.

4. AS PROMISED, BRITISH STATEMENT WAS HELPFUL ONE,
COMPATIBLE WITH US POSITION.

5. CHINESE PERMREP HUANG HUA VOICED ALL OUT SUPPORT FOR
ARABS. HE BLAMED MACHINATIONS OF TWO SUPER-POWERS
FOR TROUBLES IN ME. STATEMENT WAS LARGELY REHASH OF
EARLIER PRONOUNCEMENTS.

6. SOVS (MALIK) ALSO SUPPORTED ARABS, WITH ONLY INDICRECT
REFERENCES TO US AS "REACTIONARY CIRCLES" AND "PATRONS"
OF ISRAELI AGGRESSORS. MALIK IDENTIFIED ISRAEL AS AGGRESSOR
AND ARABS AS VICTIMS OF AGGRESSION, BUT AVOIDED JUDGMENT
AS TO WHO STARTED PRESENT ROUND OF HOSTILITIES. HE
CONCLUDED THAT SC COULD TAKE NO ACTION UNLESS KEY PRINCIPLE
OF WITHDRAWAL FROM OCCUPIED TERRITORIES WAS IMPLEMENTED.

7. IN LATER SC CONSULTATIONS, NEXT MEETING OF SC ON ME
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Abba Eban
at UN 10/8

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SUBJ: MIDDLE EAST DEBATE IN GA: ABBA EBAN

SUMMARY: IN SHORT GA STATEMENT ON ME, ISRAELI FONMIN ABBA EBAN CHARGED EGYPT AND SYRIA WITH VIOLATING 1967 CEASEFIRE LINE. HE STRONGLY REPUDIATED EGYPTIAN CHARGES THAT FIGHTING ERUPTED AS RESULT OF ATTEMPTED SURPRISE ATTACK ON EGYPTIAN INSTALLATIONS BY ISRAELI NAVY. EBAN CALLED FOR CEASE FIRE IN CONJUNCTION WITH RESTORATION OF 1967 CEASEFIRE LINES.

1. EBAN DECLARED THAT EVERYONE KNOWS THAT SYRIA AND EGYPT HAVE INFLICTED "HEAVY BLOW TO CAUSE OF INT'L PEACE" AND ACCUSED THE TWO GOVTS OF EMBARKING ON A PREMEDITATED AND UNPROVOKED ASSAULT ON ISRAEL ON ITS MOST SACRED DAY. FONMIN CALLED ASSAULTS A VIOLATION OF THE 1967 CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT AND A VIOLATION OF INT'L LAW. HE LAMENTED THAT ISRAEL HAD SUFFERED "TRAGIC LOSS OF LIFE", BUT EGYPT AND SYRIA HAD SUFFERED MORE. FONMIN DECLARED THAT ISRAEL HAS RESOLVED TO FRUSTRATE THESE ACTS OF AGGRESSION BECAUSE IF SUCCESSFUL, THEY WOULD BE A SEVERE BLOW TO PEACE. ISRAEL WAS SUCCESSFULLY REPELLING EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN FORCES AND THEIR ADVANTAGE WOULD BE SHORT-LIVED.

2. REPUDIATING EGYPTIAN CHARGES OF A SURPRISE ISRAELI ATTACK, EBAN RECOUNTED THAT THE GOI RECEIVED "AUTHENTIC" INFORMATION THAT

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THERE WOULD BE A JOINT EGYPTIAN/SYRIAN MILITARY ATTACK AT 4:00 AM, OCT 6. TWO HOURS LATER A NUMBER OF DIPLOMATIC REPS, INCLUDING AMERICAN AMB, IN TEL AVIV WERE INFORMED OF THIS IN HOPE THAT THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO INTERCEDE. ISRAEL, HE ASSERTED, REFUSED TO TAKE ANY PRE-EMPTIVE ACTION EVEN THOUGH IT REALIZED THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT DOING SO. FONMIN DECLARED EGYPT "INVENTED AN IMAGINARY SEA BATTLE, AT AN IMAGINARY PLACE AND AT AN IMAGINARY TIME" WHICH TOOK PLACE AFTER KNOWLEDGE THAT ITS INVASION PLAN WAS KNOWN TO MANY. FONMIN ASSERTED THAT NEITHER EGYPTIANS NOR SYRIANS HAVE ANY PROOF THAT THIS IMAGINARY BATTLE TOOK PLACE AND ASKED RHETORICALLY WHY ISRAEL WOULD LAUNCH AN ATTACK AGAINST EITHER COUNTRY ON INTS DAY OF ATONEMENT, A DAY WHEN BOTH INT'L AND NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATION IS VIRTUALLY NON-EXISTENT AND THE NATION'S VIGILANCE IS AT ITS LOWEST.

3. FONMIN NOTED THERE WERE SEVERAL LESSONS TO BE DRAWN FROM THIS SITUATION: ISRAEL CANNOT TAKE ITS SECURITY FOR GRANTED: EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN THREATS MUST BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY, AND SAFE AND SECURE BOUNDARIES ARE IMPORTANT. ELABORATING ON THE LAST POINT, HE PREDICTED THAT MAJOR PARTS OF CENTRAL ISRAEL WOULD HAVE BEEN ATTACKED AND MASSACRE ENSUED IF ISRAEL HAD RETURNED EARLIER TO 1967 BOUNDARIES AS MANY HAD URGED BE DONE.

4. EBAN ANNOUNCED THAT TASK AT HAND IS TWOFOLD: A) TO OBTAIN A CEASEFIRE AND B) TO RESOTRE THE (1967) CEASEFIRE LINES WHICH WERE SUBJECT OF "PREVIOUS INT'L AGREEMENT" BY PARTIES CONCERNED. HE DECLARED THAT NEGOTIATIONS ARE THE ONLY WAY TO ALTER THE 1967 CEASEFIRE LINE.

5. IN COURSE OF SPEECH EBAN MADE SHARP REFERNCES TO ZAIRE, NON-ALIGNED, ETC., WHICH WE EXPECT WILL BE MUCH RESENTED AND TEND TO ISOLATE ISRAEL EVEN FURTHER IN UN. REPORT BY SEPTEL.
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Zayyat remarks
at UN 10/8

1. FONMIN EL-ZAYYAT EXPLAINED THAT CONSULTATIONS WITH HIS CAPITAL FORCED HIM TO ARRIVE LATE TO GA DISCUSSION THIS MORNING. HE ANNOUNCED THAT EGYPTIAN FORCES HAD CROSSED EAST BANK OF SUEZ AND HAD HOISTED EGYPTIAN FLAG AND THAT SYRIANS ARE SUCCESSFULLY HOLDING GOLAN FRONT. REFERRING TO HIS OCT. 6 CONVERSATION WITH SYG AND SUBSEQUENT CIRCULATED LETTER, HE REPEATED ISRAEL HAD BEGUN STRIKE ALONG EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN LINES.
- 2* EBAN, HE SAID, HAD CALLED THIS "LIE" ON MEDIA AND IN CONTEXT OF "LYING" EL-ZAYYAT PROCEEDED TO REFUTE WITH FOLLOWING POINTS
EBAN OCT. 3 GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT: A) ISRAEL HAD NOT ACCEPTED AMB. JARRING MEMO AND TO SAY SO IS GROSS OMISSION AND DISTORTION; B) ISRAEL HAD NOT COOPERATED WITH FOUR AFRICAN PRESIDENTS WHO VISITED IN 1971 AND PRESIDENT MOBUTU'S BREAKING OF RELATIONS STATEMENT IS PROOF OF FACT; C) ISRAEL HAS NOT ARSTAINED FROM CHANGING JURIDICAL, POLITICAL CHARACTER OF TERRITORY AND HAS ANNEXED JERUSALEM AND SAID FUTURE IS UNNEGOTIABLE; AND D) ISRAEL IS NOT OPEN TO NEGOTIATION AND ON CONTRARY, ISRAEL WANTS TO PARTITION EGYPT, JORDAN AND SYRIA, KEEPING PARTS OF TERRITORY IT NOW HOLDS.
3. FONMIN DESCRIBED ACTIONS OF EGYPT AND SYRIA AS SELF-DEFENSE AND

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TOLD COMMUNITY THAT ARABS CANNOT SUFFER CONTINUED OCCUPATION OF THEIR TERRITORY AND TRAMPLING OF UN CHARTER IN SILENCE. IN SIX YEAR HISTORY, UN, GA, SC HAVE REJECTED TERRITORIAL ACQUISITION BY FORCE. HE CALLED FOR UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT PRECONDITIONS WHICH HE SAID WAS ORIGINAL POSITION OF MOST COUNTRIES (SINGLING LA'S, PARTICULARLY ECUADOR, BENITES' COUNTRY) DURING 1967 GA DISCUSSIONS AND, HE SAID, THIS POSITION HAS BEEN RECONFIRMED OVER YEARS. HE REVIEWED POSITIVE GDE RESPONSES TO PEACE INITIATIVES OVER LAST FOUR YEARS, PARTICULARLY RESPONSES TO JARRING, FOUR POWER TALKS, 1970 90-DAY CEASEFIRE INITIATIVE AND EXTENSION OF DATE CONTINUALLY AGREED TO BY GDE, JARRING FEB. 4 MEMO. TO ALL INITIATIVES, ISRAEL HAS RESPONDED WITH HEIGHTENED AGGRESSIONS.

4. EL-ZAYYAT SAID GDE HAS RAISED QUESTION WHETHER UN IS DETERMINED TO END WAR OR WHETHER THROUGH INACTION IT HAS PROLONGED IT. IN BELIEF OF POSITIVE ACTION, GDE ASKED FOR SC MEETING THIS SUMMER. STATES AND VOTES OF SC MEMBERS SHOWED THAT WITH EXCEPTION OF US ALL NATIONS DEPLORED ISRAELI CONTINUED OCCUPATION LACK OF RESPONSE TO JARRING MEMO AND RECONFIRMED THEIR RESPECT FOR NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF ALL STATES. US "SABLY" VOTED AGAINST RES AND BECAUSE OF SC INABILITY TO ACT DUE TO US, ISRAEL HAS FURTHER ESCALATED ITS AGGRESSION, CITING SEPT. 15 ACTION AND NOW OCT. 6.

5. IN CONCLUSION, EL-ZAYYAT SAID HIS GOVT TAKES HEART FROM HISTORY OF MOST COUNTRIES IN GA CHAMBER WHO HAD TO FIGHT TO END AGGRESSION AND OCCUPATION. " HISTORY OF NATIONS HERE TELLS US THE MIGHTY CAN BE DEFEATED" AND JUSTICE WILL PREVAIL. QUOTING FRENCH FONMIN'S RECENT QUESTION, IF ONE ATTEMPTS TO PUT ONE'S FOOT BACK IN ONE'S HOME IS THAT AGGRESSION, EL-ZAYYAT LABELLED CURRENT FIGHTING AS ACT OF LIBERATION AND ASKED FOR UN'S SUPPORT. HE ENDED WITH COMMENT THAT HE EXPECTED "TAKE UP ITEM ON MIDDLE EAST IN DUE COURSE" AND DID NOT WANT DEBATE NOW.)
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1. GOVERNMENT STATEMENT PUBLISHED CENTRAL PRESS OCTOBER 8
CONDEMNS ISRAELI "EXPANSIONIST POLICY" AND SUPPORTS ARAB DEMANDS
FOR LIBERATION OF TERRITORIES OCCUPIED IN 1967. BUT, IN
CONTRAST TO INITIAL SOVIET GOVERNMENT STATEMENT REACTING TO
1967 WAR, THE PRESENT STATEMENT DOES NOT RPT NOT SPEAK OF
RESERVING SOVIET RIGHT TO TAKE NECESSARY MEASURES.

2. ALTHOUGH STATEMENT PLACES FULL BLAME ON ISRAEL FOR
SITUATION LEADING TO FLAREUP, IT STOPS JUST SHORT OF DIRECTLY
ACCUSING ISRAEL OF ATTACKING FIRST. INSTEAD IT NOTES RECENT
ISRAELI CONCENTRATION OF FORCES ALONG CEASEFIRE LINE AND CALL-UP
OF RESERVISTS. IT ASSERTS THAT BY THESE ACTIONS ISRAEL HEATED
UP SITUATION AND "UNLEASHED MILITARY ACTIVITIES," BUT IT
REFRAINS FROM REPEATING SOVIET NEWS STORY CLAIMS THAT ISRAEL
ATTACKED ARABS.

3. MEASURED TONE OF STRONG POLITICAL SUPPORT COMBINED WITH
ARMS-LENGTH ATTITUDE TOWARD INVOLVEMENT CAN BE SEEN IN BRIEF
REFERENCE TO ME SITUATION OBVIOUSLY TACKLED ON TO OCTOBER 8
PRAVDA ARTICLE BY DEFENSE MINISTER GRECHKO. GRECHKO TERMS
CONFLICT "DIRECT CONSEQUENCE" OF ISRAELI EXPANSIONIST POLICY
AND MILITARY PROVOCATIONS, BUT HE TOO BEGS THE QUESTION OF WHO
ATTACKED WHOM. SOMEWHAT AMBIGUOUSLY, BUT IN TERMS WE WOULD
REGARD AS DOVISH FOR GRECHKO, HE GOES ON TO CALL ON PEACELOVING
PEOPLES TO BE VIGILANT AGAINST INTRIGUES OF ENEMIES OF PEACE
AND TO EXERT EVERY EFFORT TO PREVENT WAR FROM BREAKING OUT IN
ANY CORNER OF THE WORLD.

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4. NEITHER GOVERNMENT STATEMENT NOR SOVIET PRESS GIVES INDICATION OF SOVIET TACTICS IN UN, AND WE ASSUME AT THIS STAGE USSR IS TAKING ITS CUE FROM EGYPT.
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EXDIS
E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: UN, XF, UK, PFOR
SUBJ: ME IN SC: UK DRAFT RES

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1. UKUN (STRICTLY PROTECT) HAS PASSED US LANGUAGE WHICH LONDON HAS PROPOSED AS POSSIBLE BASIS FOR COMPROMISE SC RES. BRITISH HAVE NO INTENTION OF TALKING BEFORE OCTOBER 9, AND THEN ONLY AFTER CONSULTING WITH USG. THEY ASKED, IN RETURN, THAT US CONSULT WITH HMG BEFORE INTRODUCING RES OF ITS OWN.

2. FOLLOWING IS GIST OF BRITISH DRAFT:
SC WOULD CALL FOR "IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES IN ORDER TO CREATE CONDITIONS IN WHICH RAPID PROGRESS COULD BE MADE TOWARD A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SC RES 242."

3. NUMBER OF SC MEMBERS, INCLUDING FRENCH, ARE PREDICTING FOLLOWING SC SCENARIO: US WILL TABLE RES CALLING FOR CEASE-FIRE IN CONJUNCTION WITH RETURN TO OCTOBER 6 LINES, NON-ALIGNED WILL RESPOND BY CALLING FOR WITHDRAWAL TO JUNE 67 BOUNDARIES, LATTER RES WILL OBTAIN MAJORITY, AND US WILL VETO. IT IS THIS OUTCOME THAT UK DRAFT IS DESIGNED TO AVOID.

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S E C R E T AMMAN 5363

EXDIS
E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, MOPS, JO
SUBJ: COOLING OFF THE KING

*Amb. Brown
wants us get
instructions to
see
Hussein*

1. I WILL SEE KING AND PM IN MORNING.
2. ~~SEND ME A FLASH CABLE~~ TIMED FOR ABOUT 0700 ZULU SETTING FORTH OUR VIEWS. MAKE IT CANDID. GIVE ME THE LATEST INFO AND FACTS I NEED TO COOL HIM OFF IF, AS I SUSPECT, THE OTHERS ARE GETTING TO HIM WITH THEIR APPEALS FOR JORDANIAN INTERVENTION. DON'T FORGET HOW HE ACTED IN 1967 EVEN WHEN HE KNEW IN HIS HEART THAT IT WOULD BE A HOPELESS GESTURE.
3. IF WE WANT TO BE MILDLY THREATENING, I'LL DO IT.
4. LET ME HAVE AS WELL HOW WE SEE APPEAL FOR CEASEFIRE GOING. IF NEWS IS SUCH THAT HE WON'T LIKE IT, IT WOULD BE BETTER TO TELL HIM NOW THAN TO LET HIM HEAR IT FROM THIRD PARTIES WHO DO NOT HAVE SAME INTERESTS THAT WE DO.

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: PFOR, LE, JO
SUBJ: LEBANESE VIEWS

1. GOJ SEEMS TO BE OVER-REACTING TO BEIRUT PRESS, EVEN
THOUGHT THAT PRESS REPRESENTS LITTLE OF REAL TRUTH IN LEBANON.
 2. WHAT I WANT FOR KING IS A BRIEF RUNDOWN ON WHAT LEBANESE
ARE THINKING. GIVE ME A CABLE BY 9 AM TOMORROW OF THE SORT
THAT I CAN SHOW TO KING AND JORDANIAN LEADERS.
 3. MAKE IT LOOK LIKE A REPORT TO STATE BUT TAILOR IT FOR WHAT
I NEED; ONE MORE THING TO COOL THE KING.
 4. SORRY FOR THIS TROUBLE AT NIGHT.
 5. LET ME KNOW WHAT I CAN USE OF YOUR 11911.
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OFPT REPEAT AS DESIRED
E O 11652: GDS
TAGS: MOPS, XF
SUBJECT: THE FOURTH ARAB-ISRAELI WAR
REF: TEL AVIV 7816 (NOTAL)

1. AS WE MOVE INTO THE THIRD DAY OF THIS WAR, I BELIEVE IT IS
STILL FAIRLY CERTAIN TO SAY THAT ISRAEL IS GOING TO WIN IT.

2. TODAY IS PROBABLY THE CRITICAL DAY. IDF, WHICH MUST PUSH
BACK SYRIANS BEFORE IT CAN FOCUS ON EGYPTIAN FORCES EAST OF
SUZ CANAL, FACES SERIOUS ZDS ON THE GOLAN HEIGHTS. IF THE
CLOUDY WEATHER WHICH PREVAILS THIS MORNING SHOULD INHIBIT THE USE
OF THE ISRAELI AIR FORCE TO FULL EFFECT AGAINST THE SYRIAN
ARMOR, THE ISRAELI GROUND FORCES COULD HAVE THEIR HANDS
FULL, SINCE MOBILIZATION STILL ONGOING AND REINFORCEMENTS ARE
NOT ALL IN PLACE. AS A RESULT, THE WAR COULD LAST LONGER AND
COULD COST MORE THAN WE HAD THOUGHT YESTERDAY.

3. ONE THING IS BECOMING CLEAR: ISRAELI CASUALTIES ON
BOTH FRONTS ARE MOUNTING. THE SERIOUSNESS OF THIS FACTOR IS
IMPLIED IN THE FACT THAT THE GOI IS NOT TELLING ITS PEOPLE
ABOUT IT (NOR IS IT GIVING US HARD INFO ON THE SUBJECT).
I BELIEVE THAT WHEN THE FULL IMPACT IS FELT IN ISRAEL ON THE
BLOOD THIS WAR WILL HAVE COST, THE GOI'S POLITICAL OPTIONS MAY BE
REDUCED: THE NATION WILL EXPECT A DECISIVE WAR OUTCOME AND A
POSTWAR SITUATION WHICH LOOKS SECURE FOR ISRAEL.

4. ANOTHER THING WHICH THE GOI IS SHIELDING ITS PUBLIC FROM IS
THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE DIFFICULTIES THE IDF IS FACING. OBVIOUSLY

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MESSAGE (CONTINUED):

THE GOI'S FIRST CONSIDERATION IN DOING SO IS THE MAINTENANCE OF MORALE. A SECONDARY CONSIDERATION MIGHT BE JORDAN: SURELY THE ISRAELIS APPRECIATE THAT JORDAN (WITH MEMORIES OF 1967) DOES NOT BELIEVE SYRIAN AND EGYPTIAN MILITARY COMMUNIQUEES AND IS MORE INCLINED TO ACCEPT THE ISRAELI VERSION AS ACCURATE. KEEPING JORDAN OUT OF THE WAR MUST BE HIGH ISRAELI PRIORITY.

5. AS SOON AS WE HAVE A BETTER IDEA OF HOW LONG THE WAR IS GOING TO LAST AND WHAT IT IS GOING TO COST ISRAEL, WE WILL BE BETTER ABLE TO JUDGE THE DIRECTION IN WHICH THE USG CAN USEFULLY SEEK TO GUIDE ISRAELI POLICY.
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INFO AMCONSUL STUTTGART 0080

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AFMR LY
SUBJECT: E AND E STATUS REPORT TWO
REF: TRIPOLI 1280

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1. ONLY MAJOR DEVELOPMENT LAST 24 HOURS WAS
QADHAFFI'S MIDNIGHT SPEECH ON LARG ATTITUDE TOWARD
M.E. FIGHTING. ASSUME TEXT CARRIED BY FBIS. STRIKES
US AS PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT HE HAS OPEN RESERVATIONS
RE WISDOM OF EGYPTIAN/SYRIAN ATTACK. BUT AS A DUTY
WILL SUPPORT IT, HE SAYS. HIS REFERENCE TO US SUPPORT
OF ISRAEL WITH FUNDS, ADVISERS AND DUAL NATIONAL PILOTS ARE
HARDLY MORE THAN PRO FORMA. THIS MODERATION, BY HIS STANDARDS,
COULD CHANGE OVERNIGHT IF USG MAKES AN "ANTI-ARAB" MOVE OR
SOMEONE FLOATS A BIG LIE QADHAFFI WOULD SWALLOW. HIS
GULLIBILITY IS GREAT WHEN IT COMES TO US.

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2. AM MEETING WITH LEADERS OF AMERICAN COMMUNITY
LATER TODAY TO DISCUSS SITUATION AND CONCEPTS OF OUR E
AND E CONTINGENCY PLANS. QUITE CLEAR TO US HERE THAT, AS
PRESENTLY STAFFED, EMBASSY WILL HAVE TO SHIFT CONSIDERABLE
RESPONSIBILITIES ONTO THE COMPANIES, SO FAR AS POSSIBLE, BOTH
IN A STANDFAST AND ANY LATER CONDITION.
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SAUDI

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, SA, XF
SUBJECT: UPDATE SAUDI ARABIAN SITUATION
USMTM/DHAHRAN REPORTS AS OF 1425Z OCT 7 FOLLOWING INFO RE
ROYAL SAUDI AIR FORCE:
A) 20 F-5B HAVE BEEN ARMED WITH AIM 9B MISSILES AND ARE
STANDING READY AT DHAHRAN AIR BASE.
B) EIGHT (8) LIGHTNINGS, WITH FIRESTREAK MISSILE BAYS
OPEN (PLACING THEM IN AIR-TO-AIR CONFIGURATION RATHER THAN
AIR-TO-GROUND) ARE IN READY STATE WITH TOTAL 21 (NORMAL
FOR DHAHRAN) ON STATION THERE. C) THERE IS NO INDICATION OF
ANY ACTION OTHER THAN INCREASED READINESS.
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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS/ PFOR, AG, XF
SUBJ: ALGERIAN PRESS TREATMENT OF ME CRISIS

1. TO DATE ALGERIAN PRESS TREATMENT OF ME FIGHTING HAS BEEN RESERVED. THERE HAVE BEEN NO ACCUSATIONS OF US INVOLVEMENT, ALTHOUGH ONE OF REPORT OF ALLEGED SIXTH FLEET MOVEMENTS TOWARD ME IS CARRIED BY EL MOUDIAHID OCT 8. SAME ARTICLE, HOWEVER, REPORTS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN STATEMENT THAT US RESOLVED TO USE ITS INFLUENCE TO BRING ABOUT CESSATION OF FIGHTING. PRESS EMPHASIZES REPORTS THAT ISREAL INITIATED AGGRESSION AND THAKES LINE THAT ARAB RIPOSTE HAS RESTORED ARAB HONOR AND EQUALITY WITH ISRAEL. FURTHER EMPHASIS IS PLACED ON ALGERIAN DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES IN SUPPORT OF SYRIA AND EGYPT.

2. COMMENT: WE ARE STRUCK BY MODERATE TONE OF CONTROLLED ALGERIAN PRESS. THERE HAVE BEEN NEITHER CALLS FOR ANNIHILATION OF ISRAEL NOR ACCUSATIONS OF ISRAEL NOR ACCUSATIONS OF DIRECT US COMPLICITY. WE SENSE THAT GDA WISHES LEAVE WAY OPEN FOR INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMATIC ACTIONS IN WHICH US WOULD PLAY ROLE.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L AMMAN 5349

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MOPS, JO IS
SUBJ: JORDANIANS CLAIM TO HIT OVERFLYING ISRAEL AIRCRAFT

1. AMMAN RADIO JUST BROADCAST (0800 HRS) STATEMENT BY JAF SPOKESMAN THAT SQUADRON OF ISRAELI AIRCRAFT VIOLATED JORDAN AIRSPACE IN NORTHERN SECTOR APPROXIMATELY 0645; CLAIMED THAT JORDANIAN ANTI-AIRCRAFT UNITS FIRED ON INTRUDERS AND ONE AIRCRAFT SEEN FALLING IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. ✓

2. SUBJECT TO FURTHER CONFIRMATION, WE ASSUME REPORT OF INTRUSION CORRECT. WE CANNOT EMPHASIZE STRONGLY ENOUGH THE LIKELY ADVERSE EFFECTS OF CONTINUED ISRAELI OVERFLIGHTS. AS STRESSED IN EARLIER MESSAGE, ISRAELIS CANNOT RPT CANNOT RELY ON HUSSEIN STAYING IN. EVENTS OF PAST FEW DAYS SHOULD PROVE THAT ISRAELIS NOT OMNISCIANT ABOUT ARAB BEHAVIOR; SELF-INTEREST NOTWITHSTANDING. JORDAN'S KING CAN BE AS IMPULSIVE AS ANY OTHER ARAB LEADER. PERHAPS GOI SHOULD KNOW THAT ADVERSE INTERNAL PRESSURES WHICH WE PREDICTED IN EARLIER MESSAGE ALREADY MAY HAVE BEGUN TO BUILD UP. OVER LAST EIGHTEEN HOURS THERE HAS BEEN RUN ON FOOD SUPPLIES; RICE, SUGAR AND FLOUR HAVE DISAPPEARED FROM MARKETS. WHILE INDICATIONS FROM GOJ DECISION-MAKING LEVELS ARE STILL FAVORABLE, PUBLIC MOOD BEGINNING TO SHOW SIGNS OF SHIFTING. IF JORDANIAN MASSES START GETTING EMOTIONAL AND ISRAELIS CONTINUE PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR MIL ENGAGEMENT, HUSSEIN'S MOVES WILL BECOME LESS PREDICTABLE. WE WOULD HOPE ISRAELIS APPRECIATE PRESENT LUXURY OF QUIESCENT JORDAN BORDER. *

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AFSP
SUBJ: EVACUATION
REF: (A) CAIRO 2997 (R) ATHENS 6987

*State to Cairo
re evacuation*

1. YOU HAVE SEEN ATHENS TEL 6987 REGARDING CANCELLATION GREEK VESSEL QUOTE CYNTHIA UNQUOTE SAILING TO ALEXANDRIA WE WOULD LIKE YOUR VIEWS REGARDING LOCAL SITUATION AS IT COULD AFFECT AMERICANS NOW IN EGYPT.

2. FROM HERE WE AGREE THAT OUR MOST SERIOUS CONCERN SHOULD BE WITH TOURISTS IN CAIRO AND ALEXANDRIA PARTICULARLY THOSE STAYING IN THE LARGER TOURISTS HOTELS IN THOSE TWO CITIES. WHAT IS YOUR JUDGMENT AS TO BEST WAY INSURE SAFETY THESE PEOPLE IF CONTRARY PRESENT INDICATIONS, SITUATION SHOULD DETERIORATE OVER NEXT DAY OR TWO AND ANTI-AMERICANISM BECOMES SERIOUS THREAT. WHILE WE WILL WANT EXPLORE ALL TRANSPORTATION POSSIBILITIES IT MAY IN FACT PROVE IMPOSSIBLE TO ARRANGE SEA OR AIR TRANSPORTATION OVER NEXT COUPLE OF DAYS. WOULD YOU RECOMMEND ADVISING TOURISTS TO REMAIN IN HOTELS AND ATTEMPT SECURE APPROPRIATE SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS FROM HIGH GOE OFFICIALS OR WOULD IT BE PREFERABLE DISPERSE THEM BY ASKING RESIDENT AMERICANS TO TAKE THEM IN FOR SHORT PERIOD. GIVE US YOUR THOUGHTS ALONG WITH HOW YOU WOULD PLAN PROCEED.

3. WITH REGARD TO AMERICAN TOURISTS IN UPPER EGYPT WE ARE INCLINED THINK THAT THEY ARE AS SAFE IF NOT SAFER THERE THAN THEY WOULD BE ELSEWHERE IN EGYPT. IF YOU AGREE YOU MAY WISH ADVISE THESE PEOPLE REMAIN WHERE THEY ARE AND RECOMMEND THAT THEY NOT MOVE ABOUT UNLESS IT ESSENTIAL DO SO.

4. WHAT WOULD BE YOUR ASSESSMENT OF OBTAINING GOE

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APPROVAL FOR COMMERCIAL CHARTER AIRCRAFT TO MOVE
AMERICAN TOURISTS STRANDED IN EGYPT WHO WISH LEAVE,
ASSUMING SCHEDULED SERVICE REMAINS SUSPENDED FOR
PROTRACTED PERIOD OR UNMANAGEABLE BACKLOG DEVELOPS.
IN SEEKING THIS APPROVAL WE WOULD NOT DESCRIBE THIS
MOVE AS QUOTE EVACUATION UNQUOTE BUT RATHER EFFORT
ARRANGE DEPARTURE STRANDED TOURISTS.

5. YOU SHOULD NOT DISCUSS FOREGOING OUTSIDE OF USINT.
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3. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MOPS, XF, IS
SUBJECT: LEBANON AND MIDDLE EAST HOSTILITIES
REF: A. BEIRUT 11911; B. TEL AVIV DAO 081514Z OCT 73

1. AS MY DATT HAS REPORTED (REFTEL B), IDF TODAY EVINced SOME CONCERN TO HIM OVER LEBANON-BASED FEDAYEEN SHELLINGS OF CIVILIAN SETTLEMENTS IN ISRAEL DURING PAST NIGHT (REFTEL A). WHILE IT IS OBVIOUS THAT IDF HAS ITS HANDS FULL AT THIS POINT IN TIME IN COPING WITH FIGHTING AGAINST SYRIA AND EGYPT, ADDITIONAL INCIDENTS ALONG LEBANESE BORDER COULD BRING IDF TO CONSIDER SOME SORT OF ACTION AGAINST FEDAYEEN ELEMENTS IN LEBANON, SOMETHING WHICH WE CERTAINLY WANT TO AVOID.

2. BEARING IN MIND MY RECOMMENDATION IN TEL AVIV 7810 THAT WE URGE RESTRAINT ON ISRAEL WITH RESPECT TO LEBANON, I BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD NOW CONSIDER GOING BACK TO LEBANESE ONCE AGAIN, URGING THEM TO EXERCISE GREATER CONTROL OVER FEDAYEEN (OR AT LEAST APPEAR TO BE TRYING TO DO SO) IN ORDER TO LESSEN POSSIBILITY OF ISRAELI MILITARY ACTION AGAINST LEBANON.
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AMEMBASSY LONDON 8055

Syria at
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UNCLAS USUN 3711

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PFOR, XF, UN
SUBJ: SYRIAN STATEMENT IN UNGA ON ME

1. IN STATEMENT BEFORE UNGA TODAY, SYRIAN FONMIN HALIM KHADDAM CHARGED ISRAEL WITH MASSIVE ATTACK AGAINST EGYPT AND SYRIA WHICH WAS, HE SAID, PART OF PRECONCEIVED PLAN OF ISRAELI AGGRESSION AND TERRITORIAL EXPANSION TO MAKE EGYPT AND SYRIA ACCEPT CONDITIONS ISRAEL NOT ABLE TO IMPOSE BY ANY OTHER MEANS. FONMIN STATED ISRAELI VIOLATION OF SYRIAN AIR SPACE AND ISRAELI TROOP BUILD-UP ON SYRIAN BORDER PRIOR TO OCTOBER 6 INDICATED ISRAEL'S INTENTIONS TO ATTACK. FONMIN DESCRIBED NEW ISRAELI ATTACK AS CONSTITUTING DIRECT CHALLENGE TO INT'L COMMUNITY AND WORLD OPINION EVIDENCED IN MANY UN RESES AND RECENT DAU AND NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE STATEMENTS CONDEMNING ISRAELI EXPANSIONIST POLICY. FONMIN DECLARED SYRIA EXERCISING RIGHT OF SELF-DEFENSE AND CALLED FOR STRICT APPLICATION OF UN CHARTER, END TO ACQUISITION OF TERRITORY BY FORCE, AND SELF-DETERMINATION IN AREA. FONMIN STATED LATEST NEWS FROM GOS INDICATED ISRAELI SEA ATTACK AGAINST SYRIAN PORTS (TARTOUS AND LATAKIA) WAS BEING REPULSED BY SYRIAN COAST GUARD.
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ED 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: PFOR, MOPS, EG, IS
SUBJ: SADAT MESSAGE TO HUSSEIN

1. ABDUL MUNIM RIFAI WAS EXTREMELY CAGEY DURING OUR FLIGHT TOGETHER AS TO EXACTLY WHAT MESSAGE HE CARRYING FROM SADAT. HE SAID THAT SADAT STILL HOLDS TO POSITION THAT IT NOT NECESSARY FOR JORDAN TO ENTER WAR AS LONG AS IT HOLDS ITS FRONT STRONGLY, THUS PREVENTING ISRAELI STRIKE THROUGH JORDAN AT SYRIA.

2. PROBLEM WITH THIS IS THAT MESSAGE REPRESENTS SADAT'S THINKING AS OF LATE SUNDAY. IT MAY ALL BE CHANGED AND HE AND ASSAD MAY BE TRYING TO PUSH JORDAN INTO THE WAR IN ORDER TO EASE THEIR OWN PROBLEMS. BROWN
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